

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the specification as set forth above and replacement of original Figure 7 with the enclosed replacement sheet. The amendment to the specification is requested to modify the relationships of Equation 13, Equation 16 and the subsequent disclosure relating to these modifications, based upon Applicant's review of those relationships in the originally-filed application. Applicant has discovered clear errors in the relationships of Equations 13 and 16, which would have been obvious to the skilled artisan upon a like derivation of such relationships, as set forth in the remainder of the specification, as well as in corrected Figure 7. Applicant submits that the amended Equations and subject matter are inherent in the original disclosure and does not believe the amendments to the specification and Figure 7 affect the nature of the claimed invention. Applicant further submits that the amendments therefore do not represent new matter.

Applicant requests waiver of the rule in 37 C.F.R. 1.121, in view of the likely confusion in amending Equations 13 and 16 in the conventional manner. In the event the Examiner deems Applicant's request for waiver of Rule 1.121 to necessitate a petition under Rule 1.183 to suspend the rules, Applicant requests this to be considered as such and authorizes charge of the petition fee of \$130.00 pursuant to Rule 1.17(h) to Applicant's deposit account no. 04-1928.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosure: Replacement Sheet for Fig. 7